Module 4C Simulation Identifying Dependents



In this simulation, you will take on the role of Sandya Prashad in order to learn how to identify dependents.

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You are single and have no children. You live in the United States.

You can not be claimed as a dependent on any other person's return.

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You work for a consulting firm. Your sources of income are your job and interest income.

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For the last two years, your widowed father, who is 83 years old and is a U.S. citizen, has lived with you. You provide more than half of the support for your father.

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It's the last day of the year. You have earned \$61,617 from your job and \$2,010 in interest income. Your father earned \$5,895 in interest income during the year.

To review your personal information, click My Profile below.



My Profile

Name: Sandya Prashad

Employment: Employed by consulting firm

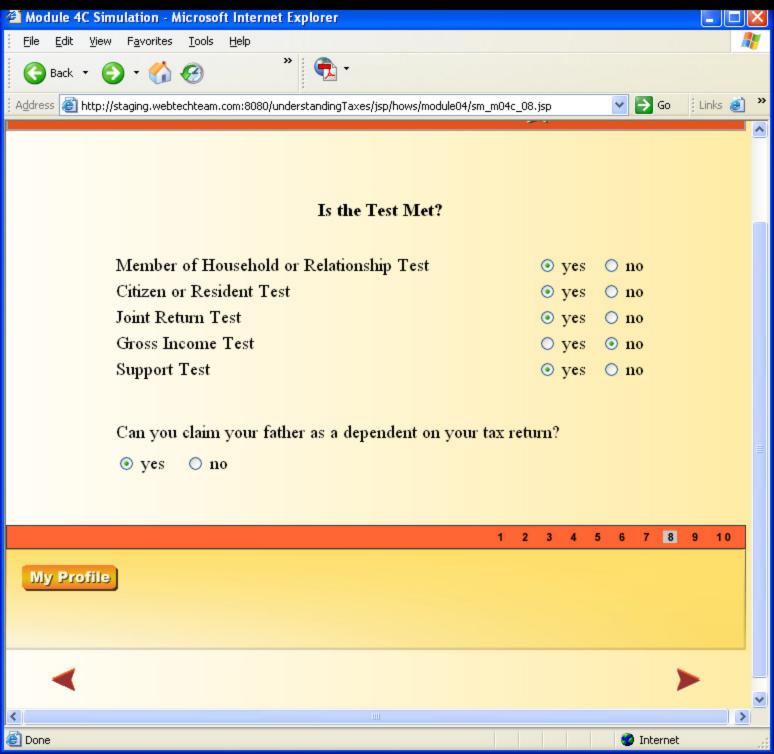
Marital status: Single

Spouse's name (if any): N/A

Children: None

U.S. citizen: Yes

Other: For the last two years, your widowed father, who is 83 years old, has lived with you. You provide almost all of the support for your father.



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Let's review the solution.

Your father meets the Relationship Test — he is your father.

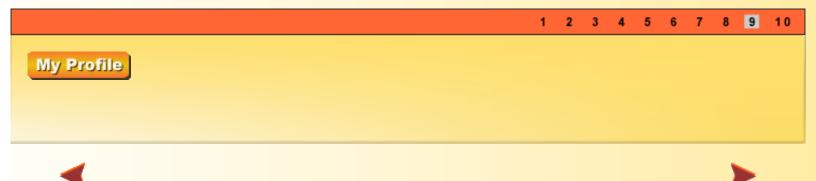
Your father meets the Citizen/Resident Test — he is a United States citizen.

Your father meets the Joint Return Test — he will not file a joint return.

Your father does not meet the Gross Income Test — he had \$5,895 in interest income, which is more than the exemption amount.

Your father meets the Support Test — you provided more than half of your father's support.

One of the tests is **not** met. You **cannot** claim your father as a dependent on your tax return.



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Congratulations, Sandya! You've successfully identified that you have no dependents.